

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-11, 14-25 and 39-49 are pending upon entry of this amendment. Claims 24 and 25 have been amended. Claims 12-13 and 26-38 have been canceled. New claims 39-49 have been added. No new matter has been introduced by the claim amendments or the new claims.

Claims 12 and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, because the specification does not enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make or use the invention commensurate in scope with these claims.

Claims 12 and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite.

Claims 26-38 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter.

Drawings

Applicants request that for FIG. 5 and FIG. 6, the Examiner utilize the drawings originally filed with the application, which include less shading than the drawings submitted on May 17, 2004.

Claim Informalities

Claims 24 and 25 have been amended to address the Examiner's concerns related to antecedent basis. Claims 33-35 have been canceled.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 12-13 have been canceled. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections under Section 112 have been rendered moot.

Claim Rejections - 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claims 26-38 have been canceled. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections under Section 101 have been rendered moot.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

Respectfully submitted,

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